and Human Services, Education, Veterans Affairs, and Housing and Urban Development.

However, rather than completing action on the remaining appropriations bills, the Republican majority is seeking passage of a 10th continuing resolution.

The American people must not continue to be held hostage by stopgap continuing resolutions, and short-term debt limit extensions. Let's put an end to this irresponsible and piecemeal approach to managing the Nation's

Mr. Speaker, the American people deserve a fully operating Government. While I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" to the short-term debt limit extension bill, H.R. 3021, I also strongly urge them to go back and draft a clean regular-term debt ceiling bill, and to complete action on the remaining appropriations bills.

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, today the House will consider legislation to extend the debt ceiling, allowing the U.S. Government to avoid default on its financial obligations. Unfortunately, the bill before us extends borrowing authority only through March 29. Further, I understand attempts may be made to attach controversial proposals to subsequent debt ceiling extensions. I urge my colleagues to exercise restraint and pass a clean, long-term debt ceiling extension bill.

Mr. Speaker, it's time to guit playing games with the full faith and credit of the United States. We are playing with the funds of every citizen who invests in U.S. securities markets.

In fact, one out of every three Americans invests in the U.S. securities markets, either directly or through mutual funds. In 1995, investors bought nearly \$120 billion worth of funds that invest primarily in U.S. stock. Funds that invest primarily in American stocks had over \$1.07 trillion in assets at year-end 1995.

This is not an arcane technical issue affecting only a few major investors—it affects every citizen of the United States.

The word of the U.S. Government is respected around the world and by every market-now, our credit-worthiness is at stake. I urge my colleagues to support an extension of the debt ceiling without controversial provisions that could endanger its enactment.

Mr. ARCHER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GILLMOR). Pursuant to House Resolution 371, the previous question is ordered on the amendment and on the

Pursuant to House Resolution 371. the amendment is adopted.

The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mrš. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 362, nays 51, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 48] YEAS-362 Klug Knollenberg Abercrombie Eshoo Ackerman Evans Kolbe Andrews Everett LaFalce Archer Ewing Armey Farr LaHood Bachus Fattah Lantos Latham Baesler Fawell Baker (LA) LaTourette Fazio Fields (LA) Baldacci Laughlin Fields (TX) Ballenger Lazio Barrett (NE) Filner Leach Barrett (WI) Flake Levin Bass Flanagan Lewis (CA) Bateman Foglietta Lewis (GA) Becerra Foley Lewis (KY) Ford Lightfoot Beilenson Bentsen Fowler Lincoln Bereuter Fox Linder Frank (MA) Lipinski Berman Bevill Franks (CT) Livingston Bilbray Franks (NJ) LoBiondo Bilirakis Frelinghuysen Lofgren Bishop Frisa Longley Lowey Blilev Frost Blute Funderburk Lucas Boehlert Luther Furse Gallegly Boehner Maloney Bonilla Ganske Manton Gejdenson Manzullo Bonior Gekas Markey Gephardt Borski Martinez Boucher Martini Geren Gibbons Brewster Mascara Browder Gilchrest Matsui Brown (CA) Gillmor McCarthy Brown (FL) Gilman McCollum Brown (OH) Gonzalez McCrery McDade Brownback Goodlatte Bryant (TN) Goodling McDermott Bunning Gordon McHale Burton McHugh Goss Buyer Graham McKeon Callahan Greenwood McKinney Calvert Gunderson Camp Campbell Gutierrez Meehan Gutknecht Meek Hall (OH) Menendez Canady Meyers Miller (CA) Cardin Hall (TX) Hamilton Castle Chambliss Harman Miller (FL) Hastings (FL) Chrysler Minge Hastings (WA) Mink Clayton Moakley Clement Clinger Hefner Molinari Heineman Mollohan Clyburn Coble Herger Montgomery Collins (GA) Hilleary Moorhead Collins (IL) Hilliard Moran Hinchey Combest Morella Condit Hobson Murtha

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Messrs. HEFLEY, ALLARD, and EN-SIGN changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. DEFAZIO and Mrs. VUCANO-VICH changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 48. I was unavoidably detained in committee. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to ask that immediately following rollcall vote No. 48 a statement be included therein indicating that because the President of the United States was in my district this morning, and I was with him, I was unable to vote on rollcall No. 48, which extended the debt limit. Had I been here I would have voted "aye."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, earlier today, I was unavoidably detained during rollcall vote